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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to
3 learn of the death of Donald Augustus of Chicago; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Augustus was born on November 21, 1953 to
5 the late Lester and Melvina Augustus; he was a star, a star
6 that never stopped shining; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Augustus, "A Man's Man", was a loving and
8 supportive husband to his wife, Karen; a strong father who
9 possessed solid, old-fashioned values which never wavered; he
10 never watered down anything but did everything in love; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Augustus was also known as a loving brother
12 to his siblings and to his nieces and nephews as a protective
13 uncle; Don's love for his family remained unshakable; and

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WHEREAS, Donald Augustus was well known to his church
15 family at Mars Hill Baptist Church as an armor bearer to his
16 Pastor and to the residents of Maywood as a police officer with
17 unquestionable integrity; to countless others, he was a devoted
18 friend and confidante; and

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WHEREAS, The students at the PAEC Center knew Donald
20 Augustus to be a listener and motivator; he demonstrated to the

1 students and all he encountered what a man of purpose and
2 passion could be; and

3 WHEREAS, We all knew Donald Augustus as a well-put-together
4 man, "Dapper Don"; a trailblazer who has left great memories
5 and a set of standards that defined "A Core of A Man"; and

6 WHEREAS, Donald Augustus has left us with an opportunity to
7 celebrate his having crossed our paths; he will live on in our
8 hearts and in our minds as a man who possessed the heart of a
9 lion and the humility of a man; and

10 WHEREAS, Donald Augustus is survived by his beautiful wife,
11 Karen; their children, Vernon Augustus, Keith Augustus, Donald
12 Augustus II, and Jeremy Augustus; their grandchildren, Shonda,
13 DaKari, Donneria, and Keith, Jr.; his siblings, Cynthia,
14 Demetrious, David (Linda), Steven (Mary), and Anthony; his many
15 nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives; his lifelong
16 friends, Marvin, Percell, Kenny, and Larry; and his extended
17 family at Mars Hill; and

18 WHEREAS, Donald Augustus will be remembered by all who knew
19 and loved him for his helpful demeanor, especially Senator
20 Kimberly A. Lightford, and for his endless love for his beloved
21 wife and family; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
3 his family, friends, and community, the passing of Donald
4 Augustus; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this preamble and
6 resolution be presented to the family of Donald Augustus as a
7 symbol of our sympathy.